



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Ms. Gail Farber
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VIA FACSIMILE AND MAIL

NOTICE OF VIOLATION – LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE STATION 88, 23720 WEST MALIBU ROAD, MALIBU, CALIFORNIA (WDR ORDER NO. 97-10-DWQ, CI-8621, FILE NO. 02-171)

Dear Ms. Farber:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board), is the public agency with primary responsibility for the protection of ground and surface water quality for all beneficial uses within major portions of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, including the referenced property above.

### Violation of Waste Discharge Requirements

You are subject to Order No. 97-10-DWQ, in which the Regional Board specifies waste discharge requirements for discharges from your septic system. Under Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 8621, which is part of Order No. 97-10DWQ, you are required to self monitor your discharge and to submit monitoring reports at regular intervals.

You are hereby notified that you are in violation of waste discharge requirements specified in Board Order No. 97-10-DWQ, as follows:

### · Violations of Effluent Limits

You have violated effluent limits for Total Coliform, Fecal Coliform, Enterococcus, and Ammonia. These violations are identified in the Table 1 attached.

#### Violation of Standard Provisions

You have violated Standard Provision No. 5 "Change In Discharge, Section (d) Increase in flow beyond that specified in the WDR." These flow violations are identified in the Table 2 attached.

You are required to comply immediately with the following:

1. Immediately implement corrective and preventative actions to bring your discharge into full compliance with Order No. 97-10-DWQ.

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- 2. Immediately implement corrective and preventative actions to bring your discharge into full compliance with Order No. 97-10-DWQ.
- 3. Submit a request for change in discharge and a work plan describing design, operating and maintenance upgrades you have made or will make to accommodate the flow increase.
- 4. Submit, by **May 25, 2009**, a report detailing the corrective and preventive actions taken to come into full compliance with Board Order No. 97-10-DWQ.

Pursuant to California Water Code §13350 (e), you are subject to penalties of up to \$5,000 for each day in which each violation occurs or \$10 for each gallon of waste discharged, but not both. These civil liabilities may be assessed by the Regional Board for failure to comply, beginning with the date that the violations first occurred, and without further warning.

The Regional Board may request that the Attorney General seek judicial civil liabilities or injunctive relief pursuant to CWC §§13262, 13264, 13304, 13331, 13340 and 13386.

Furthermore, the Regional Board may also request that the United States Attorney, appropriate County District Attorney, or City Attorney seek criminal prosecution. A superior court may be requested to impose civil or criminal penalties.

If you have any questions please call Project Manager, Mr. Orlando H. Gonzalez, at (213) 620-2267 or Unit Chief of Groundwater Permitting, Dr. Rebecca Chou, at (213) 620-6156 regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Tracy J. Egoscue Executive Officer

## Enclosure

cc:

Mr. Jim Thorsen, City Manager, City of Malibu

Mr. Craig George, Division Manager of Building and Safety, City of Malibu

Mr. Alfonso Medina, Department of Public Health Services, Los Angeles County

Mr. Christopher Stone, Department of Public Works, Water Resources Division, Los Angeles County

Mr. Alexander Villarama, Department Public Work, Los Angeles County

Table 1 - Effluent Violations Summary

Date	Monitoring Period	Violation Type	Parameter	Reported Value	Permit Limit	Units	
5/14/2007	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Ammonia -N	46.8	2.4	mg/L*	
5/14/2007	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Total Coliform	50,000	10,000	MPN/100mL	
6/15/2007	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Ammonia -N	26.7	2.4	mg/L	
6/15/2007	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Total Coliform	30,000	10,000	MPN/100mL	
6/15/2007	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Fecal Coliform	2,400	400	MPN/100mL	
6/15/2007	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Enterococcus	50,000	104	MPN/100mL	
9/28/2007	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Ammonia -N	17.8	2.4	mg/L	
9/28/2007	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Total Coliform	240,000	10,000	MPN/100mL	
9/28/2007	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Enterococcus	240,000	104	MPN/100mL	
11/30/2007	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Ammonia -N	66.2	2.4	mg/L	
11/30/2007	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Total Coliform	300,000	10,000	MPN/100mL	
11/30/2007	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Fecal Coliform	50,000	400	MPN/100mL	
11/30/2007	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Enterococcus	1,600,000	104	MPN/100mL	
5/30/2008	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2008	Effluent	Ammonia -N	37.2	2.4	mg/L	
5/30/2008	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2008	Effluent	Total Coliform	24,000	10,000	MPN/100mL	
5/30/2008	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2008	Effluent	Fecal Coliform	24,000	400	MPN/100mL	
5/30/2008	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2008	Effluent	Enterococcus	24,000	104	MPN/100mL	
8/29/2008	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2008	Effluent	Ammonia -N	6.84	2.4	mg/L	
8/29/2008	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2008	Effluent	Enterococcus	90,000	104	MPN/100mL	
11/21/2008	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 200	Effluent	Total Coliform	24,000	10,000	MPN/100mL	
11/21/2008	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2007	Effluent	Ammonia -N	5.71	2.4	mg/L	
3/13/2009	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2009	Effluent	Ammonia-N	8.64	2.4	mg/L	
3/13/2009	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2009	Effluent	Enterococcus	1,300	104	MPN/100mL	

<sup>\*</sup> milligrams per liter

Table 2 – Flow Violations Summary

Date of	Monitoring	Violation			Reported	Permit	
Sample	Period	Туре	Parameter	Constituent	Value	Limit	Units*
October	4th Quarter			Average Water		350	
2003	2003	Effluent	Flow	Usage	518		gpd
November	4th Quarter			Average Water		350	
2003	2003	Effluent	Flow	Usage	465		gpd
December	4th Quarter			Average Water		350	
2003	2003	Effluent	Flow	Usage	413		gpd
January	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	404		gpd
February	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	469		gpd
March	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	456		gpd
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter		•	Average Water		350	
July 2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	386	•	gpd
August	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	398		gpd
September	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	399		gpd
October	4th Quarter			Average Water		350	
2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	5507		gpd
November	4th Quarter			Average Water		350	
2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	524		gpd
December	4th Quarter			Average Water		350	
2004	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	603		gpd
January	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter		·	Average Water		350	
2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	434		gpd
February	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	478		gpd
March	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	495		gpd
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
May 2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	386		gpď
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Average Water		350	<b>Y</b> -L
June 2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	399		gpd
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
July 2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	424		gpd
August	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	410		gpd

<sup>\*</sup> gpd - gallons per day

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Sample	Monitoring Period	Type	Parameter	Constituent	Reported Value	Limit	Units
September	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	турс	a di di letel	Average Water	value	350	Ointo
2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	399		gpd
October	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	2,,,,,,,,,,,	. 1011	Average Water		350	9,5
2005	2005	Effluent	Flow	Usage	434		gpd
November	4th Quarter			Average Water		350	<u>9F</u> _
2005	2004	Effluent	Flow	Usage	424		gpd
. January	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	1.1.1.1		Average Water		350	<u> </u>
2006	2006	Effluent	Flow	Usage	362		gpď
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	<u> </u>
May 2006	2006	Effluent	Flow	Usage	362		gpd
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
July 2006	2006	Effluent	Flow	Usage	386		gpd
August	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2006	2006	Effluent	Flow	Usage	362		gpd
September	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2006	2006 ·	Effluent	Flow	Usage	374	,	gpd
October	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2006	2006	Effluent	Flow	Usage	386		gpd
November	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	,	1	Average Water		350	
2006	2006	Effluent	Flow	Usage	386	·	gpd
December	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	-		Average Water		350	
2006	2006	Effluent	Flow	Usage	374		gpd
January	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water	*	350	
2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	468		gpd
February	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	402		gpd
March	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water	100	350	
2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	402		gpd
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter			Average Water		350	
April 2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	664	0.50	gpd
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter			Average Water	0.47	350	
May 2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	647	050	gpd
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	. E.c.		Average Water	440	350	. •
June 2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	413	050	gpd
ll. 0007	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	<b>—</b> 661	<b>-</b> 1	Average Water	450	350	
July 2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	459	252	gpd
August	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	<b></b>	F10	Average Water	447	350	المستم
2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	447	250	gpd
September	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	Effluent	Flour	Average Water	. 440	350	and
2007	2007 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	Effluent	Flow	Usage	418	250	gpd
October		Effluent	Flow	Average Water	507	350	and
2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	507		gpd

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Sample November	<b>Period</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	Type	Parameter	Constituent	Value	<b>Eimit</b> 350	Units
2007	2007	Effluent	Flow	Average Water Usage	487	350	and
December	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	Ellidelit	FIOW	Average Water	407	350	gpd
2007	4 Quarter 2007	Effluent	Flow	Usage	362	350	and
March	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	Emuent	I-10W	Average Water	302	350	gpd
2008	2008	Effluent	Flow	Usage	354	350	and
2000	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	Liliuent	1100	Average Water	354	350	gpd
April 2008	2008	Effluent	Flow ·	Usage	485	350	and
April 2000	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	Lillueilt	1 1000	Average Water	400	350	gpd
May 2008	2008	Effluent	Flow	Usage	526	330	and
1VIAY 2000	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	Lilidelit	1 1000	Average Water	320	350	gpd
June 2008	2008	Effluent	Flow	Usage	565	350	and
Julie 2000	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	Lilluciit	1 1000	Average Water	303	350	gpd
July 2008	2008	Effluent	Flow	Usage	627	330	and
August	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	Lillueiit	1 1000	Average Water	021	350	gpd
2008	2008	Effluent	Flow	Usage Valer	541	330	and
September	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	Lilidelit	LIOW	Average Water	341	350	gpd
2008	2008	Effluent	Flow	Usage	536	350	gpd
October	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	Lindent	1 1000	Average Water	330	350	gpa
2008	2008	Effluent	Flow	Usage	427	330	gpd
December	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	Lindone	1 low	Average Water	721	350	gpu
2008	2008	Effluent	Flow	Usage	681	550	gpd
January	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	Lindone	1 1044	Average Water		350	gpu
2009	2009	Effluent	Flow	Usage	468		gpd
February	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter		1 1011	Average Water	100	350	922
2009	2009	Effluent	Flow	Usage	516		gpd:
March	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter			Average Water	- 0.0	350	922
2007	2009	Effluent	Flow	Usage	516		gpd